

Fast Food Fax

Apr. 17, 2006

Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand was fair to moderate, best where feature activity was in progress. In the parts complex, breasts items were adequate. Leg cuts and wings were adequate to at least adequate. Weights were mixed but mostly desirable.

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Apr. 01, 2006

	FOOD SERVICE/			
	<u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	29,243	18,392	56,528	104,163
Percentage	28%	18%	54%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weights</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weights</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	9,576	9.19
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	5,794	5.56
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	7,570	7.27
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	6,303	6.05
		29,243	28.07

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% * *
Feb 11	213,263	100	175,742	100	214,095	103	175,122	102	164,473	101
Feb 18	215,334	101	174,372	99	213,152	102	173,482	101	162,394	99
Feb 25	216,741	101	173,008	98	215,603	102	175,059	101	158,438	98
Mar 04	216,821	101	173,749	99	212,140	101	172,920	100	158,348	100
Mar 11	216,624	101	175,363	99	214,075	103	174,210	101	160,615	101
Mar 18	213,723	100	177,078	100	213,256	101	174,755	102	162,304	101
Mar 25	212,142	100	177,118	100	213,689	102	174,471	101	162,089	100
Apr 01	213,434	100	177,359	100	215,404	102	176,021	102	161,822	100
Apr 08	215,346	99	173,247	98	214,147	101	174,381	101	162,595	100

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Week of 04/17/06				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	48-51	49.61	49.77	71.52
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	46-49	49.43	49.36	69.07
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	75	72.56	72.61	79.43
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		58.64	59.37	72.77
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 67.50)		66.12	66.22	72.96
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		34.41	33.37	55.59

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
<u>Weekly Weighted Average</u>	<u>4/14/06</u>	<u>4/14/06</u>	<u>4/17/06</u>
Breast - B/S	95.80	100.23	111.50
Tenderloins	91.57	96.30	139.50 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	59.46	56.18	58.50 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	17.73	13.91	16.50
Wings	68.88	73.94	85.50